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Statement of Substance of Interview

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Sir:

In reply to the Supplemental Notice of Allowability and and Interview Summary Form PTOL-413 mailed November 21, 2006, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(b) and MPEP § 713.04, Applicants' undersigned representative provides the following statement of the substance of the interview held with the Examiner in the above-captioned application.

The Examiner and Applicants' undersigned representative participated in a telephonic interview on November 17, 2006. During this interview, the Examiner agreed that claim 23 may be canceled from the application in order to avoid an obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Applicants' undersigned representative agreed to the cancellation of claim 23 by examiner's amendment, thus concluding the interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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